

REMARKS

The application includes claims 1-3 and 5-17 prior to entering this amendment.

The examiner rejects claims 1, 3, 5-6 and 11-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cappels, Sr. (U.S. Patent No. 5,731,843) in view of Levantovsky et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,522,365).

The examiner rejects claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cappels, Sr. in view of Levantovsky et al. and further in view of Koike et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,538,648).

The examiner rejects claims 7-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cappels, Sr. in view of Levantovsky et al. and further in view of Ichiraku et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,097,379).

The applicant amends claim 1.

The application remains with claims 1-3 and 5-17 after entering this amendment.

The applicant adds no new matter and request reconsideration.

Claim Rejections Under 103

The examiner rejects claims 1, 3, 5-6 and 11-17 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cappels in view of Levantovsky. The applicant traverses the rejection.

The applicant amends claim 1 to recite *the phase adjust circuit simultaneously generates a plurality of delayed clock signals by delaying the phase locked loop clock*. The examiner alleges that Cappels' Phase adjuster 50 of figure 4 discloses the recited phase adjust circuit.¹ The examiner, however, agrees that Cappeles' Phase adjuster 50 *sequentially* generates a plurality of delayed pixel sampling clock 64.² Cappeles' phase adjuster 50 does not simultaneously generate the plurality of delayed pixel sampling clock 64, as required by recited limitation. That is, Cappeles fails to disclose a phase adjust circuit that simultaneously generates a plurality of delayed clock signals by delaying the phase locked loop clock, as recited in claim 1. For at least this reason, claim 1 is in condition for allowance, along with associated dependent claims 2-3 and 5-17.

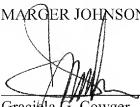
¹ Office action dated 11/15/2006, page 5

Conclusion

The applicants request reconsideration and expeditious issuance of all remaining claims. The applicants encourage the examiner to call the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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